

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

Posted on April 29, 2010

AGENDA

9th Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, May 4, 2010

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Rhode Island Ethics Commission

Hearing Room - 8th Floor

40 Fountain Street

Providence, RI 02903

1. Motion to approve minutes of Open Session held on April 20, 2010.

2. Advisory Opinions:

a.) Col. Brendan P. Doherty, the Superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police, requests an advisory opinion regarding whether he may participate in contract negotiations between the Rhode Island

Department of Administration and the Rhode Island Troopers' Association ("RITA"), given that as a commissioned officer of the State Police he is entitled to receive the same benefits as non-commissioned officers who are a part of the RITA.

b.) Angel M. DesMarais, District Clerk for the Manville Fire District, requests an advisory opinion regarding whether the Code of Ethics prohibits her from serving as District Clerk, given that her spouse currently serves as Deputy Chief of the Manville Fire Department.

c.) Douglas Axelson, Chair of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the East Greenwich Fire District, requests an advisory opinion on behalf of the Board of Commissioners regarding whether the Code of Ethics prohibits Peter F. Henrikson from being appointed to and serving in the position of Chief of the Fire District, given that his spouse is employed by the Fire District as Chief Administrative Clerk.

d.) Robert S. Crausman, MD, MMS, former Chief Administrative Officer of the Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline for the Department of Health, who is currently employed as the Chief Medical Officer for Landmark Medical Center, requests an advisory opinion as to whether he is prohibited by the Code of Ethics from reporting to, as may be required by state statute or regulation, and making informational inquiries to his former agency, the Department of Health.

e.) Kevin D. McGee, a Coventry Housing Authority Commissioner, requests an advisory opinion concerning whether he may apply for a position with the Housing Authority as its Maintenance Director.

3. Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2)

and (4), to wit:

a.) Motion to approve minutes of Executive Session held on April 20, 2010.

**b.) In re: Stephen Durkee,
Complaint No. 2009-6**

c.) Status Update:

**Joseph S. Larisa, Jr. v. Rhode Island Ethics Commission,
Superior Court C.A. No. 08-7325.**

**d.) In re: Brenda K. Gaynor,
Complaint No. 2001-32**

**e.) In re: Aisha W. Abdullah-Odiase,
Complaint Nos. 2001-34 & NF2002-1**

f.) In re: Luis Aponte,

Complaint No. NF2005-3

g.) Motion to return to Open Session.

4. Motion to seal minutes of the Executive Session held on May 4, 2010.

5. Report on actions taken in Executive Session.

6. General Commission Advisory (GCA) Opinion No. 8 - Architect Members of State and Local Historic Preservation Commissions Appearing before their Respective Agencies:

a.) Commission Review of comments received regarding GCA 8.

b.) Withdrawal (1st vote) of GCA 8.

7. Legislative Update.

8. Director's Report:

a.) Docket status update.

b.) Budget update.

9. New Business proposed for future Commission agendas.

10. Adjournment.

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